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SUBJ: ANTI-NIMAIRI DEVELOPMENTS: EXTERNAL FINANCING

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1. ARAB STATES AND INDIVIDUALS. AT SSU MEETING SEPT 5, VP BAGHIR SAID "PLOT" RECEIVING EXTERNAL FINANCING BUT DID NOT INTIMATE SOURCES. EMB HAS RECEIVED REPORTS THAT FORMER GOS MINFINANCE SHARIF AL-HINDI IS PUMPING SUBSTANTIAL FUNDS INTO SUPPORT OF CURRENT UNREST. FUNDS SUSPECTED TO EMANATE FROM RELIGIOUSLY-CONSERVATIVE PRIVATE SUPPORTERS IN SAUDI ARABIA OR LEBANON. ANOTHER SUSPECTED OUTSIDE SOURCE IS ALSO A FORMER FINANCE MINISTER-MUHAMMAD ABDEL HALIM WHO WAS IMPLICATE BY PRESIDENT NIMAIRI (MARCH 6 SPEECH) IN THE BSO MURDERS IN KHARTOUM. ANY HALIM BACKING WOULD INVOLVE LIBYAN AND PRESUMABLY SOME LARG SUPPORT. GOS RADIO/TV GAVE NOTICEABLE COVERAGE TO SEPT 1 LIBYAN REVOLUTION ANNIVERSARY

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INCLUDING GOS CONGRATULATORY CABLE AND EMB CONTINUES

SUSPECT GOS SIGNALING THAT IT DOES NOT HOLD LIBYA RESPONSIBLE FOR CURRENT UNREST. WE DOUBT EGYPT ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN VIEW CURRENT ERA OF "UNDERSTANDING".

2. USSR. GOS HAS ANNOUNCED VP BAGHIR AND SOVIET CHARGE MET SPET 4 TO DISCUSS "BILATERAL RELATIONS". WE UNDERSTAND SOVIET CHARGE WAS IN FACT SUMMONED TO BAGHIR'S OFFICE. OUR SPECUALTION IS THAT SOVIETS WERE TOLD NOT TO REPEAT THEIR 1971 MISTAKE OF GETTING INVOLVED AND IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT CONTINUING SOVIET CONTACT WITH LOCAL COMMUNISTS MAY HAVE BEEN CAUSE FOR GOS WARNING.

3. CONCLUSION. BASICALLY, WE BELIEVE CURRENT UNREST HAS BEEN GENERATED BY INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS. HOWEVER, THE LONGER IT PERSISTS, THE MORE EXTERNAL ELEMENTS WILL BE TEMPTED TO MEDDLE.
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